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342 (Guria, Mingrelia, part of Imeretia) of wood;
in the Imeretian mountains (Racha) of wattle;
in Kakhetia all types occur. In eastern and
southern Georgia there is also found the so-
called "crown-shaped" roof (gvirgvini), which
consists of beams over which other beams are
placed diagonally, in successive layers narrow-
ing upwards, so that a cupola is formed. Light
enters through the spaces between the beams.

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361 In Kartlia the houses are irregularly
grouped into villages, without enclosures and
without streets. In the western subtropical
region and in Kakhetia the farms are surrounded
by fences; in Kakhetia they are situated farther
apart amidst the vineyards. Besides the living
quarters, the farms have stables, hen-houses,
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343 barns and granaries--the latter made of wattle
and raised from the ground on poles. There is
usually a hut with a cover of ferns for newly-wed
couples, a well, etc. There is also a baking-
oven consisting of a cylinder of wattle coated
• [354] with clay; after heating the oven with charcoal,
the dough is placed inside on the wall, after
which the oven is closed with a wooden lid and
cloths. In wine-growing regions there is a wine
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342 cellar with a wine press, and large earthenware
wine containers, sunk into the ground.

The Svan house is built of rough stones;
the ground plan is rectangular. It usually has
two stories. The ground floor contains a store-
room which at the same time serves as wine
cellar, and the winter-quarters for humans and